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We are altogether now in this struggle. If we win, you win. If we lose, you lose. Will you help win? Thrift stamps offer one way.

NO HALTING TILL OBJECT IS GAINED

Germany Must Accept Peace Founded on Justice.

WORDS OF PRESIDENT WILSON

Replies in His Message to Congress to Speeches of Chancellor Von Hertling and Count Czernin—Former Would End War Only on German Terms, He Says, While Austria Is Disposed to Be Friendly.

Washington, Feb. 12.—President Wilson, in his speech to congress, dissected the recent peace addresses delivered by German Chancellor Von Hertling and Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister.

The president reiterated that until the military masters of Germany are ready to consider peace on principles of justice the United States will continue the fight it is just beginning for the safety of itself and mankind.

Plainly the president warned the German military autocracy that there was to be no pausing in the mobilization of America's vast military resources now steadily on their way to the battle fronts, and that if peace were to be discussed it would have to be on a basis of sincerity. Otherwise, the president made it plain there was to be no turning back until military autocracy was crushed by force of arms.

Count Czernin's speech the president openly regarded sympathetically but he considered the Austrian foreign minister restrained by the embarrassment of Austria's alliances and her dependence on Germany. "Count Czernin," said the president, "seems to see the fundamental elements of peace with clear eyes and does not seek to obscure them."

Von Hertling's Speech.

Chancellor Hertling's speech, however, the president characterized as "very vague and confusing" and "full of equivocal phrases," leading nowhere clearly. The aim of the German chancellor, as judged from his speech, the president thought evidently was to secure a peace advantageous to the aims of the German military autocracy and then subscribe to an international covenant to make it secure.

Count Hertling, the president declared, evidently was seeking such a peace as was made at the congress in Vienna. "What is at stake now," said the president, "is the peace of the world. What we are striving for is a new international order based upon broad and universal principles of right and justice—no mere peace of shreds and patches. Is it possible that Count Von Hertling is in fact living in his thought in a world dead and gone?" "A general peace," said he, "erected on such a foundation could be discussed. Until such a peace can be secured we have no choice but to go on."

The president's address holds out to Austria the hope that a settlement between this country and the nation of Emperor Karl can be accomplished. It aims to drive again at the wedge inserted between Germany's militarists and the people of Austria-Hungary.

The Real Test.

The test of whether it is possible for the belligerents to go on comparing views, says the president, is simple and obvious, and the principles to be applied, he said, were as follows: "First—Each part of the final settlement must be based upon the essential justice of that particular case and upon such adjustments as are most likely to bring a peace that will be permanent; second, people and provinces are not to be bartered about from sovereignty to sovereignty as if they were mere chattels and pawns in a game, even the great game, now forever discredited, of the balance of power; third, every territorial settlement involved in this war must be made in the interest and for the benefit of the populations concerned, and not as a part of any mere adjustment or compromise of claims amongst rival states; fourth, all well-defined national aspirations shall be accorded the utmost satisfaction that can be accorded them without introducing new or perpetuating old elements of discord and antagonism that would be likely in time to break the peace of Europe and consequently of the world."

In conclusion the president warned the central empires that the vast resources of the United States would be accomplished in the end what might be accomplished by peaceful negotiation. "Our resources are in part mobilized now," said he, "and we shall not pause until they are mobilized in their entirety. Our armies are rapidly going to the fighting front and will go more and more rapidly. Our whole strength will be put into this war of emancipation, emancipation from the threat and attempted mastery of selfish groups of autocratic rulers, whatever the difficulties and partial delays. We are indomitable in our power of independent action and can in no circumstances consent to live in a world governed by intrigue and force."

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TEACHERS WILL GET PAY SCHOOL OR NO SCHOOL

Ohio teachers whose classes have been suspended for varying periods because of the extreme winter weather and the fuel shortage, must be paid full time for their services regardless of days lost, according to a ruling announced last Saturday by Attorney General McGhee. The question was raised by P. A. Saylor, prosecuting attorney at Eaton, down in Preble county.

Saylor also inquired whether back men who convey pupils to centralized high schools should be paid for full time. McGhee says it depends on the hackmen's contracts.

RYE FLOUR TO BE IN SAME BOAT WITH WHEAT

Any baker will be permitted to advertise his product as "victory" bread if it contains not more than 80 per cent wheat flour. No stipulation is made as to what ingredients shall compose the other 20 per cent, so long as they are selected from the list recommended by the Food Administration, which includes corn flour and corn meal, barley flour, oat meal, rice and rice flour, potato flour, etc. Until March 3 rye flour may be used in making victory bread. After that date it will be placed on the same basis as wheat, as rye flour is now being shipped to the allies. Bread made of graham or whole wheat flour may be termed victory bread.

THE LID LIFTED BUSINESS AS USUAL MONDAY

Washington, Feb. 14.—Suspension of the fuelless Monday order was announced on Wednesday night by Fuel Administrator Garfield.

Improved conditions, due to warmer weather, Mr. Garfield said, make it seem advisable to allow industry to resume next Monday.

State fuel administrators, however, are given power to keep the order in effect whenever it may appear necessary.

The New England situation is much worse than in the rest of the country, and the administrators in that section probably will continue to keep plants closed for several more Mondays.

Mr. Garfield made it clear that his action constitutes merely a suspension of the order.

If coal shortages again become acute he reserves the right again to clamp on the lid. Under the original order six more fuelless Mondays had been scheduled.

Director General of Railroads McAdoo joined with Mr. Garfield in deciding that the fuelless Mondays should be discontinued for the present.

ENTIRE NATION TO SING AMERICA

The Women's Relief Corps of this city is preparing for a patriotic entertainment next Friday, Washington's birthday.

Because of the week of Feb. 17 to 23 is the National Week of Song, and because February 22 is the birthday of "the father of our country," it is proposed that on the 22nd at eight o'clock, all citizens of our country, wherever assembled in clubs, schools, churches, restaurants, theatres, lodges or any other place—even in their homes—rise and sing all four verses of "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

The time will not be hard to remember and as this song expresses the sentiments of every true American citizen, all will willingly join this mighty chorus.

Because the words of the last verse are an earnest prayer of every loyal heart, it is hoped that it be sung softly so that both praise and prayer be united by a grand chorus of millions of voices on the evening of Feb. 22.

MERCER COUNTY IN CAPITAL DISTRICT

Eleven state seed corn testing stations are to be located at different points of Ohio at once in an effort to assist farmers in determining whether or not their seed corn is fit to plant. The men in charge of these stations will also attempt to find local supplies of good seed corn and to get it distributed at cost where it is needed. It is expected that additional seed corn testing stations will be established perhaps within a month. According to the present scheme, however, every county in the state has been placed in a district in charge of some county agricultural agent, the College of Agriculture, or the Agricultural Experiment Station.

Mercer county is in the Columbus district in charge of the Agricultural College Extension Service, Columbus. Cincinnati Daily Post and The Democrat, both one year, \$2.50.

THE WEEKLY WAR REVIEW

American troops holding a line along the southern edge of the famous St. Mihiel salient. In French Lorraine, southeast of Verdun, have been actively engaged the past week. In heavy artillery duels they have more than held their own, smashing positions held by the enemy, while sharpshooters routed German snipers from their hiding places.

Raiders have been conducted by the various belligerents on the western front, one of the most important of which was made by the French, who penetrated a German position in the vicinity of Domcourt, in Lorraine, cleared out the trenches and brought back prisoners and a machine gun. Berlin reported a raid on the American line in which several Americans were made prisoner.

During the week the central powers busied themselves with their manifold peace negotiations with various groups of more or less importance on the eastern front and announced having come to a peace agreement with the Ukraine.

This announcement, marking the first peace concluded by any of the belligerents, may turn out to be one of epochal importance. It had been largely discounted, however, by the apparent anxiety manifested by the representatives of the Ukraine to sign a peace of some sort with Germany and her allies and also by the uncertainty as to the reality of peace which has been achieved on paper.

Germany and Austria are tacitly admitted to have seized upon the opportunity to sign a peace with the Ukrainians, in the hope that they could work their way commercially into the grain-growing territory and thus secure supplies for their hungry populations. The Ukrainians, it has been reported, were to get part of Russian Poland for signing a peace.

Minor operations featured the week on the Italian and Macedonian fronts.

A Paris dispatch of Feb. 11 reports that an American patrol was trapped in No Man's Land by a superior force of Germans. Five Americans were killed, one wounded and four are missing.

Berlin officially announced, Feb. 12, that Russia has dropped out of the war. The Bolshevik government, without formally signing a peace treaty, ordered the demobilization of its troops on all battle fronts. With Roumania isolated and helpless, the war on the eastern front may now be said to be at an end. It has been arranged that the central economic commission now in Petrograd shall settle the details of the resumption of relations between Russia and the central powers.

British and French raids on enemy positions near Epehy, Labasse and in the Woerthe sector netted several hundred prisoners and guns, according to a London dispatch of Feb. 13. On the Italian front an Austrian attack was put down with heavy loss to the attacking force.

340 MISSING
War Department's List of Soldiers Not Accounted For.
Washington, Feb. 11.—Eighteen hundred and thirty-two names of American soldiers rescued from the tormented liner Tuscania have been reported to the war department, leaving 340 of the soldiers on board unaccounted for. No official report has reached the department change the estimate that all except 112 of the men were saved, but the names have been coming in very slowly over the cables and there is no assurance as to when the list will be complete. Probably more than 200 of the men whose names appear on this record are safe in Ireland and will be so reported soon.

Labor Riots in Denmark.

Amsterdam, Feb. 13.—Industrial unrest has spread to Denmark. Strikers attacked government buildings and engaged in hand-to-hand fights with the police in Copenhagen, according to dispatches received here.

CELINA MAN HONORED

A Cleveland dispatch of the 9th inst. states that Roy Jenkins, formerly of this city, but now of Wapakoneta was installed president of the Ohio Industrial Arts Teachers Association at its closing session at Cleveland.

According to announcement of J. A. White, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League in Ohio, from Columbus Mercer county is placed in the Dayton district of the new state campaign. With Mercer are Allen Van Wert, Darke, Preble, Montgomery, Miami, Shelby, Auglaize, Harding, Logan, Champaign and Clarke.

A troop train composed of fifteen cars passed through this city over the L. E. & W. yesterday morning. Two of the cars were composed of colored troops.

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OFF TO PACIFIC COAST TRAINING QUARTERS

Loree Anderson and Byron Davis, well known young men residing in the west part of the county, made The Democrat a brief visit last Saturday morning. They were in town to report for duty, being assigned to Vancouver Barracks, on the Pacific coast, where they join an engineering corps. While at the court-house getting their instructions they were presented with the customary gift from the Celina Business Men's Association and a comfort kit from the ladies of the local Red Cross association. They ordered The Democrat to follow them.

THE WEAKER SEX

The weaker sex
Is that portion
Of the human race
Who goes downtown
In zero weather
In a half masted lace waist
And pumps
To buy a muffler
And woolen socks
For her husband
So he can go to work.
—Arkansas Gazette.

OFFICIAL DOG CATCHER ABROAD IN THE LAND

Harry L. Hight, who has been deputized by Sheriff Pumphrey as the official dog catcher in this city, caught his first dog, which was minus a tag, last Thursday morning. The dog is of the male species, a small, black, friendly little fellow, with a white streak on his neck. The owner or anyone wanting the dog may have him by notifying Officer Hight, inside of four days, buying a tag, and paying the cost arising. Officer Hight will keep all dogs caught four days and after that time, complying with the law, they will be killed.

WANT VILLAGE PRIVILEGES BAD

The petition of residents of Forest Heights addition to be allowed to pay corporation taxes, and otherwise become full partners in the towns affairs, was discussed by the city dads at a special session Tuesday night. The question was turned over to the finance committee for investigation.

Messames Frank Avers and R. R. Wyckoff, on behalf of the Red Cross organization, asked for the use of the ticket office of the City Hall auditorium in which to store supplies. The dads agreed to this, but to be regular they referred to the building committee.

The monthly appropriating ordinance and the report of Board of Public Affairs were read and accepted.

Prosecuting Attorney Stubbs asked for and received permission to call a meeting of the Food Commission at the City Hall on March 20.

Dr. Richardson was appointed a member of the village board of health by Mayor Seranton. The job is for a period of five years.

IN CUPID'S DOMAIN

Miss Mabel Krogman, a popular Hopewell township girl, and Delos York, a well known young farmer of this township, were quietly wedded at Lutheran parsonage on the 5th inst., Rev. Reltz performing the ceremony. The young couple will reside on a farm west of town.

Miss Mary Coate, of Butler township, and Earl Snider, of Coldwater, well known and popular young people, were quietly wedded at the residence of Rev. C. S. Johnson, the marrying parson, of this city, last Saturday morning. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Coate. The young couple will make their home at Coldwater, where Mr. Snider is employed in the New Idea Spreader Works.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

Delos York, 21, Celina, farmer, son of Newton York, and Mabel Krogman, 18, Celina, housekeeper, daughter of Wm. Krogman. Rev. Reltz.
Earl Snider, 25, Coldwater, laborer, son of Ezra Snider, and Mary Coate, 24, Butler township, housekeeper, daughter of Noah Coate. Rev. C. S. Johnson.

James M. Heath, 23, Van Wert, a farmer, son of Wm. Heath, and Ruth E. Nelson, 19, Mendon, housekeeper, daughter of Thomas Nelson. Rev. F. G. Boroff.

CHATTANOOGA FARMERS INSTITUTE ON FEB. 21-22

Announcement has been made that the 8th Annual Farmers' Institute at Chattanooga will be held at that place on Thursday and Friday, February 20 and 21.
A good program has been arranged and everybody is invited to come, listen and learn.

TRUSTED BY THE COMMON PEOPLE

Washington, Feb. 8.—That Americans have only the faintest idea of the hopes which the liberals of all European countries are building upon President Wilson is the message brought to Washington by one of the most interesting figures in British politics and warfare, Colonel Josiah Wedgwood.

Colonel Wedgwood, peace advocate and member of the famous English family of liberals, is a real "fighting pacifist." He wears the uniform of a British colonel and the wounds of two wars.

He is now on a mission for the British government. For 15 years he has been a member of the British House of Commons fighting for land taxation, the enfranchisement of women and the complete democratization of the British empire.

Nearly every housewife knows what "Wedgwood" pottery is. The Wedgwood family, which this article is written in the eighteenth century, were pioneers of democracy no less than of industry.

Here is what the colonel says they think of Wilson in Europe:

"England and all the world may join in thanking that America is one refuge from the iron hand of tyranny."

"It is to the President himself that those who wish to down Prussian militarism should chiefly give thanks. Making no mistake about it, President Wilson is in this fourth year of the war worth more than an army corps. He is trusted by the common people."

"If English labor keeps its almost revolutionary energies applied to beating the Boche it is because of your president. No one who has heard his name cheered at the Labor Congress can doubt it. Ask French labor. They will tell you the same thing. Even Ireland trusts and looks to Wilson for justice."

"To liberals—an international body after all—Wilson is their standard bearer, a man in whom they place more trust than their own governments. His position is unexampled and yet it does not seem to be understood in America."

English and French workingmen, English and French morale are essential to the winning of a democratic peace. By some marvel a man we have never seen or heard of, except in the newspapers, arouses new courage and confidence in us."

"When America came into the war wanting nothing for herself, she brought in a fresh breath of air—self-sacrifice. Under Wilson's handling this has become a veritable religion of the allied masses—a religion of democracy such as the common people understand."

WAR ON TRAFFIC NOT ON MEN

Wet newspapers have unearthed a preacher in Baltimore who asserts there is such a thing as an upright saloonkeeper, and that he knows liquor dealers who are kind fathers and thoughtful husbands.

Nobody denies it. All saloonkeepers are not altogether bad. The most pronounced drys have contended that liquor dealers are all bad. An otherwise good man may be in mighty bad business. These good fellows who are saloonkeepers would be far better men and better citizens if they were not saloonkeepers.

There is no war on saloonkeepers, but there is a war on saloons. Up to the hour of going to press not one good thing has been said of the saloon or the liquor traffic. It is the traffic, not the men engaged in it, that is the object of the attack.—The American Issue.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Otha Hanselman fell Wednesday at his home on East Livingston street, fracturing a couple ribs and injuring the muscles of his right arm.

Ira Wollam, a pioneer resident of the north part of the county, died at his home near Mendon last Monday evening. He was 71 years of age. His funeral took place yesterday.

Five candidates were made Master Masons at a meeting of the Masonic brethren Wednesday evening. Degrees were conferred on Daniel Creeden, W. A. Bair, Albert Heiser, Grover Howick and Herbert Kriemendahl. A Hoover banquet was a feature.

The wind and thunder storm last evening seems to have been the turning point in the spring-like weather of the last ten days. The g. hog has come to life again, but we hope he will have mercy on us poor sinners and remember our coal piles are still slim.

The local draft board yesterday morning began the work of physical examination of the lads in Class I-A. It is expected the class of 240 will require four days to complete the work begun, which will continue to-day and occupy next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Dan Boley, of Washington township, was in town Tuesday on his way to Lima to bring his daughter, Miss Alice, aged 13, home. She underwent an operation at the Lima city hospital a couple weeks since as a result of appendicitis, from which she recovered rapidly. Mrs. Boley was at the hospital with her daughter during her illness.

"The 329th Regiment Infantry," a weekly paper published at Chillicothe under date of February 6, carried the following local:

"Mess Sergeant Charles Ellis has been promoted to first class sergeant for the Third Battalion. Our new mess sergeant is Clyde Haman, erst while popular head cook."

Thrift is the need of the present, the hope of the future. Some day peace will come—millions of men will be suddenly thrown back into civil life. Prepare for a new period of reconstruction. Begin to save now—the best way is through purchase of War Savings Stamps.

HOODOO NUMBER OF FIRES FOR THE WEEK

The third fire of the week was chronicled when a fire burned a small cottage in the Brookside addition, in the west end, last Friday night. The building was the property of Mrs. Ella Ward, who lost a building on the same site last summer. The structure was a wreck when the fire department reached the scene. The fire is believed to be the work of an incendiary, as was the one destroyed before it. It was insured for \$250, said to be only enough to cover a loss by carpenters who were making improvements on the structure. At the previous fire no insurance was carried, the building, nearing completion, was burned to the ground and all the tools of Carpenter Chas. Shepherd were consumed with it.

FRANKLIN TALKS OF CENTRALIZING

The matter of centralizing the public schools of Franklin township was taken up last week at their township hall, when County Superintendent Cotterman, District Superintendent Younger and Prosecuting Attorney Stubbs attended a meeting held by the patrons of the schools of that township. The feasibility of such an undertaking as bringing the pupils together at a central point as near as practicable, the advantages that would be enjoyed by the pupils by such an arrangement, as well as other matters for their welfare and advancement by a broader community spirit, were talked over in a general way. Nothing definite was arrived at, but the matter will be taken up a future meeting with the hope of arriving at a favorable conclusion.

THE GRIM REAPER

Mrs. Angeline Heavlin, aged 69, a pioneer Mercer county lady, passed away suddenly last Saturday morning at her home ten miles northwest of this city. She was in her usual health up to Friday evening.

The deceased is survived by her husband and five children—Charles, residing in Washington township; George and Jack in Michigan; Frank, of Muncie, Ind., and Dell, at home.

David E. Grant, aged 66, a well known resident of this city, died last Sunday morning after a short illness at the home of his niece, Mrs. Ben Winkeljohn, in the north part of town. Hemorrhage of the lungs was the cause of his death. The wife of the deceased died some twenty years ago. A daughter, Mrs. Beattie Bruce, residing in Texas, and a son, Jeffries Grant, serving in the army, survive him.

Funeral services were held from the Winkeljohn home Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Johnson, conducting the service. The remains were laid to rest in Buck cemetery.

Wm. M. Symonds, a well known merchant of Rockford, died suddenly on the evening of the 7th while his daughter was reading a letter to him. While not in good health he had been at his place of business all day as usual. Funeral services were held on Monday. He was a prominent member of the Knights of Pythias.

Wm. Wall, aged 82, who made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Charles Perkins, East Fayette street died suddenly last Monday evening after eating a hearty supper. Death was due to heart disease.

The deceased was born in Clinton county, this state, where he was wedded to Sarah H. Thomas in 1860. He is survived by his wife and four children.

Funeral services were held from the Perkins home Wednesday morning, Rev. Horn, of the Presbyterian church, being in charge.

The little three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Canary, of Washington township, died at their home there last Saturday after an illness of several weeks. Funeral services were conducted at Swamp College, Monday.

[Lima Times-Democrat]
Mrs. Rosetta Botkins, 59 years old died at the City hospital Saturday afternoon at four o'clock, after an illness of four days. She was a resident of St. Marys.

Mrs. Botkins was born in Mercer county, being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Coates. A son, Walter, resides in Lima; Grover Botkins lives in Elwood, Ind. and Norval in Kansas City, Mo. A daughter, Mrs. Guy Bridgeford, resides in Dayton.

[Ft. Recovery Journal]

As we go to press we learn of the death of Philip Man, one of the oldest and best known citizens of the city. He had been in failing health for some time, suffering with asthma. However, Thursday morning, he was able to dress himself and go down to his morning meal. About 10 o'clock he was taken with a severe pain in his side his death occurring shortly afterwards. Had he lived until his next birthday on June 24th he would have been 82 years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Man had lived in this city 21 years. The following children remain: Mrs. Callie Probst, of Marion, O.; Mrs. Mary Shombers, of South of town; Mrs. Lydia Hefey, of Mt. Zion; Mrs. Charlotte Gagle, of this city, Fred and W. H. May.

THIS IS WORTH REMEMBERING

In the course of a speech which he delivered at Middletown, recently, Governor Cox read a letter which had been written by a young French girl to Dr. John H. Finley, president of the University of New York. Trained writers—men and women who have long been engaged successfully in literary work—have it.

In the war inspiration for extraordinary productions and are still disappointed. Kipling, Robert Bridges, the British poet laureate, Arnold Bennett, John Galsworthy, and most every American writer of prominence have written about the war, some of them with considerable feeling, but it has remained for a 16-year-old French girl, a student at an academy in Paris, to produce the one real bit of literature with the war as a background. Brief, simple, sincere, this little classic is as follows:

"It was only a little river. It was called the Yser. It was almost a brook. So narrow was it that one might speak across it without raising one's voice, and the birds could fly over it with one sweep of their wings. It was a very narrow river. On either bank were millions of men, eye to eye, but the distance between them was as the distance between the stars in heaven. It was the distance between right and injustice."

"The ocean is so vast that even the sea gulls do not dare to cross it. The great ships of America for seven long days and seven long nights plow their way through its waters before they even come into sight of the light-house of beloved France. But on either side our hearts are reaching."

Here is no labored effort at fine writing, no endeavor to charm with style or to lure the reader to a thrilling climax. It is just a sincere expression prompted by a full heart. Yet there is in it the whole big story that future historians will endeavor to tell in ponderous volumes. It is a poem in prose that requires no deep study on the part of the reader who would catch its import. We may suppose that, like Lincoln's Gettysburg address, it came without wearisome endeavors to produce a masterpiece, and, like that beautiful simple utterance, it will have immediate acceptance as a product of genuine inspiration. Read it again. Learn it by heart. It is worthy of a permanent place in your memory.

FORMER CELINA MAN IS DANGEROUSLY ILL

News of the dangerous illness of Billy Colgan, an old-time Celina boy, now residing at Columbus, reached this city this week. Billy is a brother of Mrs. Andy Zender, of this city and left here many years ago. For several years he has been running an elevator at State House annex, and is very popular with the boys at the capitol. He has never lost interest in his old Celina friends who still number quite a few, but not as many as he had back in the 70's, for many of them are under the sod.

HUNTERS ARE WARNED

The season for capturing four bearing animals by trapping or other means closed the first of the year, and the Game Warden warns hunters and trappers that a violation of the law will not be tolerated. A conviction on a charge of killing these animals means a fine of \$25 and costs.

ECHO OF THE FUEL FAMINE

Geo. Custer, residing on the Nottingham farm in Center township, charged with cutting down fruit and other trees on that place for fuel, to the amount of \$100, had a hearing before Mayor Seranton, in this city, on Tuesday. As a result Mr. Custer was bound over to court in the sum of \$300. Bond was given for his appearance.

SCHOOLS AGAIN OPEN

The public schools, of this city, which have been closed since the beginning of the holiday vacation, were re-opened last Wednesday. The long vacation was due to the coal shortage that hit this city so hard. The parochial schools, also closed to past two weeks for the same reason, were re-opened, Monday.

IN COMMON PLEAS COURT

Judge Miller left yesterday morning for Greenville, to decide upon several court cases under his jurisdiction in that city.

The First National Bank vs. Joseph Fast and Anna Fast is a case filed in Common Pleas court last Saturday. Plaintiff asks judgment in the sum of \$8784.16 with interest at the rate of eight percent, which they claim due them on promissory notes, secured by real estate. They ask that the premiums be sold.